Interagency Council on Homelessness

MINUTES

WORKGROUP: PREVENTION

DATE: 4/28/2017

TIME: 9:30a - 11:30a CST

MEMBER
ATTENDEES

Misty Goodwin, Laura Alvarez, Stephanie Jarnigan, Whitney Page, Abigail Dowell

Agenda topics

1. IMPLEMENTATION PROGRESS

DISCUSSION	The workgroup was updated on the scheduled facilitated work day in order to create a recommendation to state leadership to increase affordable housing necessary to end homelessness. The work day will include state agencies and CoCs.
FOLLOW-UP ITEMS	N/A

2. ACTION STEP REVIEW AND DISCUSSION

DISCUSSION	 2.4 - Currently sharing the state plan at different faith-based meetings coordinated by the Substance Abuse portion of TDMHSAS. Stephanie Jarnigan to share about the plan at the next meeting of the state agency faith-based directors - Thursday, May 18th. 5.2 - DoC - Public Safety Act Funding - Community Resource Centers to provide workforce development for offenders. Even those who have completed their sentence. 6.1 - TDMHSAS reports that 2 new SOAR specialist positions have been created with one of TDoC's contractors. Knox Community Action created a new SOAR Specialist position for their agency. MG shared about Community Service Block Grant funding through DHS and how it can be used to help fund housing programs. 6.2 - City funding was provided in Knoxville to create 4 Case Managers at high rises for the elderly and individuals with disabilities - a small study was created to show impact to the city and the return on investment. MG to provide what she has from that study. 8.2 - Knoxville held their first youth PIT count this year. Discussed how underserved youth are and how difficult it is to place them. MG reported that the Section 8 Regulatory Director and Housing Authority was letting some full time students enter housing. 9.3 - Suggested bringing this action step to the Council for suggestion on how to navigate. Discussed the working being done in Shelby county to connect hospitals with the CES.
FOLLOW-UP ITEMS	 Stephanie Jarnigan to share the plan at the faith-based director's meeting on May 18th.

ATTACHMENTS